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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Utility patent application of:

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FOR:	<b>STRIP OF FASTENERS FOR A FASTENING APPARATUS WITH LOADING DEVICE INTENDED TO TAKE THE STRIP, THE APPARATUS AND THE LOADING DEVICE</b>

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 8 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 3 sheets of formal drawings
- ☒ Claim of Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 and Certified copy of French Priority Document
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and References (3)
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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